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EMPLOYERS: GOT WORK??

Entry-Level Workers Now Available at No Cost

Recovery Funds at Work: Assisting You and Your Community in Economic Recovery

Thanks to a program funded through the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act, thousands of adults in Los Angeles County are ready to go to work at entry-levels jobs, and they could be working for you at no cost.

In the Long Beach – Torrance area, public sector, private sector and non-profit employers can call the Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network's Business Solutions Team at **562.570.4718** to learn how they can benefit from the Program.

The ARRA Program, co-coordinated through the Los Angeles County Department of Public Social Services and the South Bay Workforce Investment Board, will provide wages of \$10 per hour and workers compensation insurance. Entry-level work assignments are up to 40 hours a week through September 2010.

"Currently we have 550 slots available for entry-level work assignments. We know that there are many employers who are in need of temporary, full time assistance through September 2010 to help them manage staffing costs until the economy turns around," said Bryan Rogers, Executive Director, Pacific Gateway Workforce Investment Network.

"This is an incredible opportunity to help in the economic Recovery efforts in our local communities while assisting entry-level workers transition to new skill sets. It is also an opportunity to train entry-level workers at no cost to your bottom line so that when the economy does recovers you will have a pool of skilled potential employees," he added.

On February 17, President Barack Obama signed into law the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act with the stated goals "to create jobs, restore economic growth and strengthen America's middle class." This one time funding creates a window of opportunity in Los Angeles County to provide subsidized employment for 10,000 Gain (Greater Avenues for Independence) participants.

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